

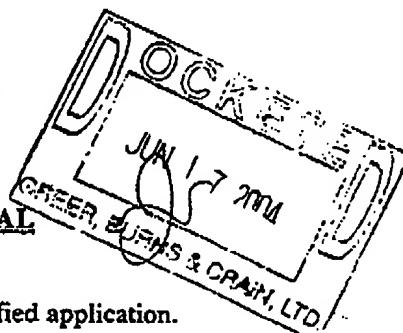
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Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims				\$280.00	\$ 0-
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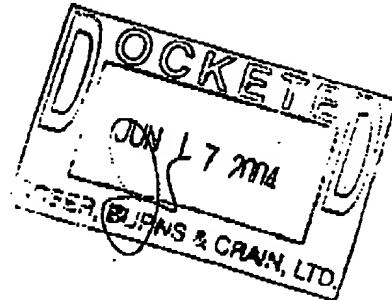
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